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Spy Case Lawyer Bars Senate Race

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(AP). — James B. Donovan, Brooklyn lawyer, who negotiated the Francis Gary Powers-Rudolph Abel switch, says he is not a candidate for the New York Democratic nomination to the United States Senate.

A New York group had announced yesterday it was urging him to run for the nomination and that it was sending letters backing him to delegates to next month's State Democratic convention.

Mr. Donovan, who is here for the American Bar Association's 85th annual convention, told the Associated Press, "I am not a candidate at this time for the Senate nomination or for any other elective office. I appreciate their generous compliment."

At a news conference earlier, the 46-year-old lawyer announced he has agreed to act as counsel for Cubans in the United States working to buy back from Fidel Castro the 1,179 men captured in the Bay of Pigs invasion 15 months ago.

Mr. Donovan reported a national fund drive will get under way soon to raise the \$62 million Mr. Castro demands as ransom.

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